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1. AS PROPOSED IN REFTELS, AMBASSADOR MENTIONED TO FON IN FAHMY THE JAPANESE SITUATION WITH RESPECT TO AN ADDITIONAL \$50 MILLION SOFT EMERGENCY AID TO EGYPT WITHOUT, HOWEVER, REFERRING TO THE MIKI/OHIRA DISCUSSION. HE SUGGESTED THAT FAHMY MIGHT WISH TO CALL IN JAPANESE AMBASSADOR WADA TO STRESS IMPORTANCE WHICH GOE ATTACHES TO OBTAINING FULL \$100 MILLION CONTRIBUTION FROM JAPAN TO THE EMERGENCY AID EFFORT FOR EGYPT.

2. FAHMY SAID THAT HE AND HIS COLLABORATORS HAD ALREADY RAISED THIS MATTER THREE TIMES WITH WADA. LATTER INDICATED THAT THE GOJ WAS RELUCTANT TO PROVIDE A LARGER SUM BECAUSE IT WAS CONCERNED THAT "US WILL GET THE CREDIT FOR IT." AMBASSADOR POINTED OUT THAT THERE WAS NO QUESTION OF GETTING CREDIT IN THIS EFFORT. CONCEPTION OF THIS OPERATION IS THAT INDIVIDUAL DONORS WOULD DEAL WITH GOE ON BILATERAL BASIS WITHIN OVERALL FRAMEWORK
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OF ASSISTANCE EFFORT. THIS HAS BEEN MADE CLEAR

TO JAPANESE BY US, BUT IT MIGHT BE WELL IF FAHMY
STRESSED THIS POINT AGAIN FROM THE GOE ANGLE.

3. AS A RESULT, FAHMY IS SUMMONING AMBASSADOR
WADA TO A MEETING IN ALEXANDRIA AUGUST 24 WHERE HE
WILL AGAIN SEEK TO IMPRESS HIM WITH HIGH IMPORTANCE
WHICH GOE ATTACHES TO JAPANESE CONTRIBUTION OF THE
FULL \$100 MILLION IN TERMS OF ITS PRESENT
FINANCIAL SITUATION.
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